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ITALY - COMMUNIST CHINA: NEGOTIATIONS IN PARIS BETWEEN ROME AND PEKING ON 27-28 OCTOBER PRODUCED TENTATIVE AGREEMENT ON RECOGNITION, ACCORDING TO A SENSITIVE STATE DEPARTMENT CABLE. THE FORMULA IS SIMILAR TO THAT OF THE SUCCESSFUL SINO-CANADIAN NEGOTIATIONS EARLIER THIS MONTH. THE ITALIAN GOVERNMENT HAS NOT REACHED A FINAL DECISION ON ITS VOTE IN THE UN BUT THE FOREIGN MINISTER IS INCLINED TO VOTE FOR THE ALBANIAN RESOLUTION TO EXPEL TAIWAN IN FAVOR OF PEKING. THE MINISTER WOULD, HOWEVER, PREFER TO MAINTAIN HIS PAST POSITION THAT THE ISSUE IS AN IMPORTANT QUESTION REQUIRING A TWO-THIRDS AFFIRMATIVE VOTE.

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